

REMARKS

Requirement for Election of Species

The Office Action alleged that this application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention.

Embodiment I described in Figure 2.

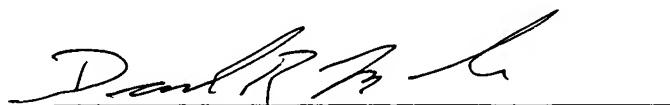
Embodiment 2 described in Figure 3.

Applicants hereby elect embodiment 2 (FIG. 3), which is covered by claims 1-7, 9-16, 18-29, 31-38, 40-42, and 52-53. Of these claims, at least claims 1, 12, 25, and 34 are generic.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request submit that the foregoing is fully responsive to the election request and that all presently-pending claims be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicants' response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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